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MEMORANDUM FOR DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

SUBJECT: Declassification of Information Regarding Soviet Chemical and Biological Weapon Activities

I understand you are aware that Senator Mattingly has urged the President to declassify all appropriate information held by our Government dealing with Soviet chemical warfare activities. The Senator believes this would help secure necessary funds for our chemical weapons production.

Judge Clark asked me to "touch base" with you to see what can be done. I share his view that declassification of some additional information would be helpful, and we should attempt to declassify whatever is feasible, as soon as possible.

I advised Senator Mattingly that the intelligence community has just completed a most intensive effort to make the maximum amount of information publicly available. Nevertheless, if your have any further thoughts on the matter, I would appreciate your sharing them with me.

